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All twins



#hardware



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A very small battery



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#energy



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Forever young



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Do not disturb !



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#usage



The LifePhone is mainly used when plugged into the mains. However, it has a small battery that allows you to make phone calls or send SMS for about five minutes (when it is on battery all other functions are disabled). Once plugged in, this small battery charges in less than an hour. The charge remains available for a fortnight if not used.

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- ♥ Using modest batteries saves hard to mine minerals.
- ♥ This mode of use reduces dependence on the smartphone, we use it less when we go for a walk.



♠ The phone can no longer be used as a GPS when on foot (unless the public space was equipped with free connection places).

The LifePhone is permanently in a silent mode, it never rings or vibrates, does not make the screen light up. It is used to leave messages for each other when you have time. It is possible to use a messaging application with a personal code that activates the ringtone or notifications exceptionally. There is a universal emergency code... in case of emergency! (add #42 to the end of the phone number).

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- ♥ You know in advance if the call or message you are about to receive is worth interrupting what you are doing.
- ♥ You use your phone a little less, you are a little less dependent, your batteries get tired a little less quickly.



All LifePhones in the world are all strictly identical, they have the same shape and above all they have the same components. It's easier to produce and maintain. In order not to confuse them, on the back of each LifePhone we can slip a small personalized label that we have drawn or printed.

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- ♥ There are plenty of people who know how to repair LifePhones.
- ♥ You can recycle parts from older ones onto new ones.
- ♠ In order to always remain compatible with each other, components evolve very slowly.
- ♠ No differentiation effect.



The LifePhone is an object that you keep all your life, you will never need to change it for a new one. Its manufacturer doesn't sell it, he rents it (this is called the economy of functionality). When something doesn't work, you go and get it fixed. Of course if you decide you don't even need a smartphone anymore, then you can return it!

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- ♥ No fad we're not tempted to change our smartphone just for style.
- ♥ We renew the minimum of parts as we go along, it consumes less material.



♠ There is never a new version, the last LifePhone? is the same as the first one!

LifePhone

Very easy
to fix



#hardware



LifePhone

Free as a bird



"A focused kitten" - CC-0 Ty Swartz - commons.wikimedia.org &
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#apps



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Phone Knight



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Decentralized
messaging
apps



#apps



The LifePhone contains only free applications. A free application is software that anyone can copy and modify. Some of the most widely used applications, such as Google Maps, are not free, which means that only the company Google has the right to know exactly what that application does and to decide whether or not it will work on a LifePhone.

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♥ Free applications can be adapted for all hardware this helps to fight obsolescence.

♥ Free applications can be rid of data trackers, which protects privacy and fights against advertising.

♠ The LifePhone does not have some proprietary apps like Waze, TikTok or Instagram... (but there are free alternatives, even if they are less known).

A messaging app is decentralized if everyone can set up their own server without depending on a central operator, like Google or Facebook. In fact, that's how email works since... 1971 ! That is, if everyone doesn't use Gmail... It also exists for instant messengers like Mattermost or microblogging platforms like Mastodon. On the LifePhone there is only decentralized.

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♥ We are not dependent on a big operator, we can change if the moderation rules, for example, do not suit us anymore.

♥ Decentralised applications collect less data, so more privacy and less ads at the end.



♠ Our relations often don't know these instant messengers yet, we have to convince them to join.

The LifePhone is designed to be as easy to repair as possible. Its components are limited in number (only one microphone, one camera...), they are modular, not very miniaturized, and easy to access. The components are chosen for their robustness rather than for their performance. Older, well-proven technologies are therefore preferred.

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♥ A repairable phone is the possibility of saving metals whose extraction is costly for the environment.

♠ The LifePhone has low performance components (screen or camera resolution for example).



♠ The LifePhone is quite big and a bit heavy.

The LifePhone has a shock, drop, heat and water resistant shell. It is mandatory to turn the phone on, but it can be changed like all the other components, of course. It is made of 100% vegetable material, and when it is too damaged, when it is no longer waterproof for example, it can be composted.

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♥ Protected by its shell the LifePhone is almost unbreakable, it avoids bad surprises and increases the life span.

♠ The shell is a rather expensive component compared to the rest of the LifePhone.

♠ All shells are uniformly black because no dyes are used.



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No advertisement !



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#apps



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Walking Alive



#energy



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A sober social media



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#apps



LifePhone

The Wired



"A curious kitten keeping" - CC-0 by Dimitri Houtteman - commons.wikimedia.org

#usage



The LifePhone has no battery. It can be used when plugged into the mains or with its Walking Alive extension. Walking Alive is a device that creates electricity from the energy expended while walking. The power generation system is installed in the shoes with a wire that runs up under the clothes, to which the LifePhone can be connected.

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♥ No battery, no pollution, no geopolitical problems with the materials that make up the batteries.

♥ You get a bit of exercise on the phone, it's not bad.

♥ The LifePhone can work even in a power cut that lasts several days.



♠ It takes a little longer to get dressed in the morning.

The LifePhone does not have a wireless Internet connection. Of course, you can still use the telephone network to make calls or send SMS. There is also a wired interface that allows you to connect at home or at school. The LifePhone's apps work very well offline. For example, there is asynchronous messaging, a copy of the most common Wikipedia articles or selected podcast channels.

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♥ One can access content with the LifePhone even when there are network outages nationwide.



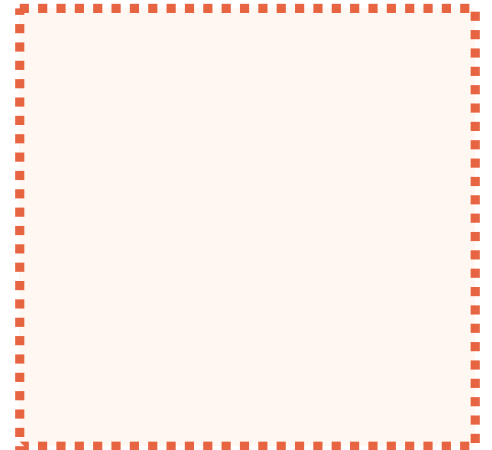
♠ You have to be a little more organized to configure what your apps should download when they are connected.

Many applications are deceptively free, in fact they "pay" themselves by collecting data which they then sell to advertisers and/or they offer advertising themselves. LifePhone does not contain any apps that collect data or offer advertising, the apps are either paid or free for real, with no mandatory consideration.

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♥ Advertising aims to make people want to buy new things, by reducing it we reduce our environmental footprint.

♥ We can donate whenever we want, from a few euros to a few cents, to the developers of the apps we like the most.



The LifePhone allows you to connect to your social network via the LifeSocialMedia app. This app respects interoperability standards such as ActivityPub which allows the use of several kinds of social media such as PeerTube for sharing videos or Mobilizon for events. The app imposes a controlled use: a limited number of posts and notifications per day and a time limit of consultation every hour.

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♥ One is less addicted thanks to the usage regulation function.

♥ No ads, more privacy, less unwanted consumption.



♠ I can't use the most famous networks like Facebook, Twitter or Snapchat.

LifePhone
A very
cute cat



"A seemingly innocent kitten" · CC-0 Ksphotofive · commons.wikimedia.org

#apps



LifePhone
One phone
for two



#usage



LifePhone
Mutual support



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#apps



LifePhone
Elementary,
my dear
smartphone



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#usage



The LifePhone has an easy SIM card insertion and ejection mechanism. So everyone has their own card, but you can share the phones with friends and family. A single LifePhone can hold up to 8 cards at the same time. There is multi-user management, with each user accessing only their own messages typically. A custom ringtone lets you know who is being called when the LifePhone has multiple cards on board.

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♡ *By reducing the number of smartphones in circulation, the environmental footprint is reduced.*

♡ *It's user-friendly to share items with loved ones.*



♠ *It's not very practical when you're all alone and don't have the common LifePhone with you.*

The LifePhone is a simple smartphone. It's not meant to replace a computer: you can make phone calls, send messages, check websites, listen to music and use a GPS. On the other hand it is not a multimedia centre, it is not powerful enough for high definition photography, elaborate games, or video conferencing.

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♡ *Simpler means cheaper, more robust, more battery life.*

♡ *Less "magic object", the LifePhone is also less addictive.*



♠ *One is forced to have other devices (computer, camera...) which can be more expensive for the environment, and even for the wallet.*

The LifePhone allows you to use the instant messaging application Chacha. It is a free and decentralized software, without ads. You can chat with your friends and family for leisure and with your teachers or colleagues for work. We define time slots during which certain profiles cannot reach us. In any case, the number of messages to be sent and received per day is self-limited.

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♡ *By framing my usage, I have the possibility to decide when I use and when I don't use my smartphone.*

♡ *Chacha does not feed into the digital giants.*



♠ *My contacts have a bit of trouble accepting that I am not reachable all the time (but they will get used to it!).*

Mutual support allows you to work in groups. For example, in the school context, one can share homework help documents. Via the app, users can comment on the documents, to provide or request additions. There are also live and podcast conferences. Everything syncs when you have a network and can be used offline. It's compatible with file sharing systems like NextCloud.

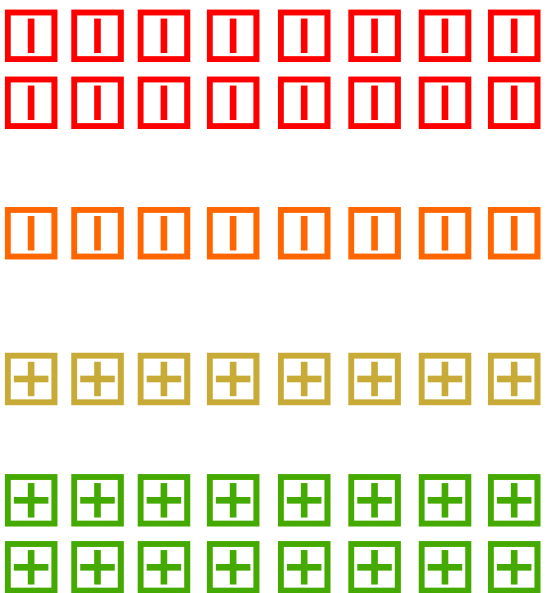
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♡ *It's good to have a dedicated space to work, it keeps you from spreading yourself too thin.*



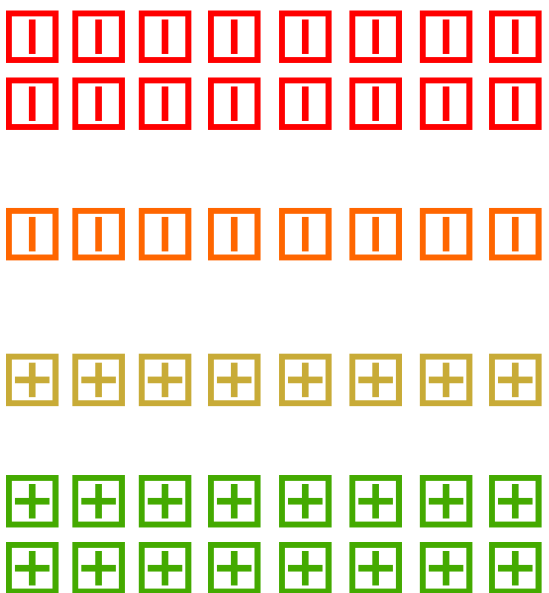
♠ *We prefer Google or Microsoft tools, to do what everyone else does.*

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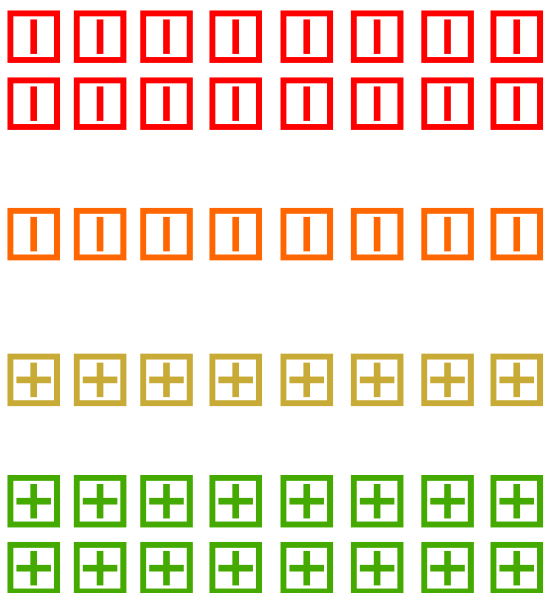
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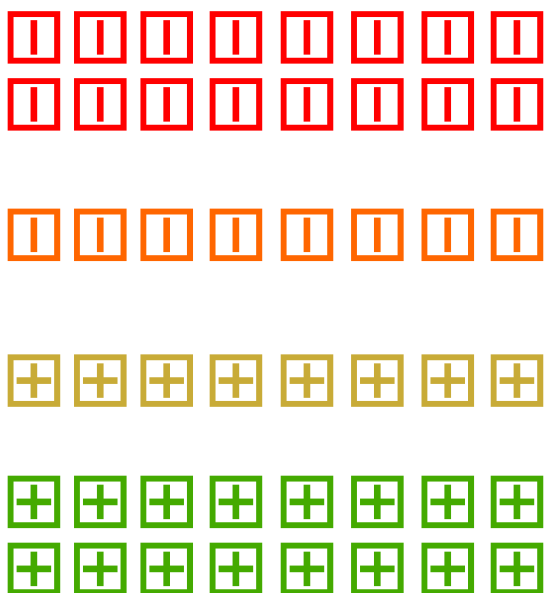
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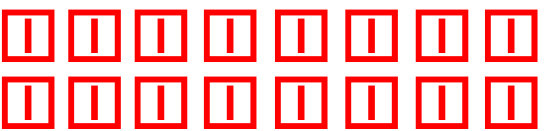
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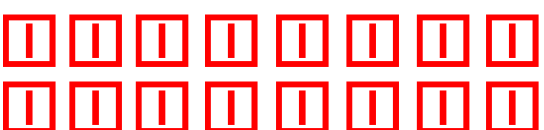
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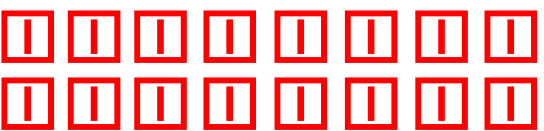
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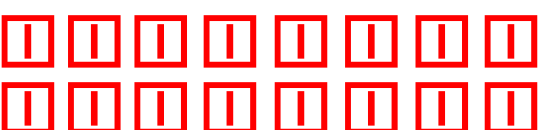
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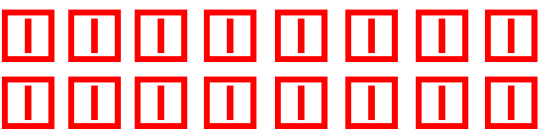
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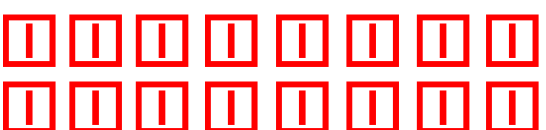
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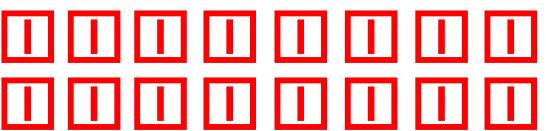
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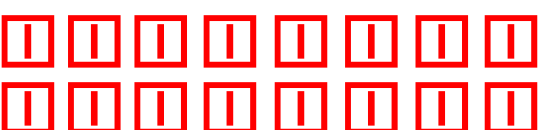
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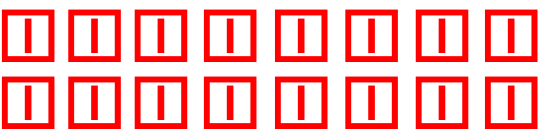
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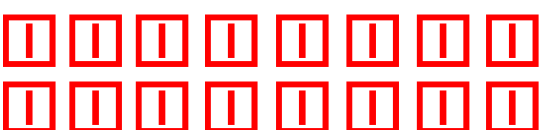
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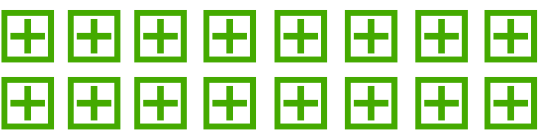
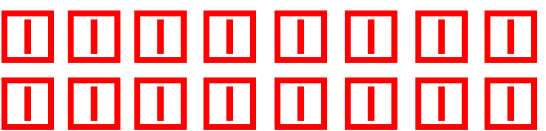
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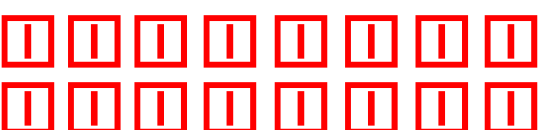
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